(iv) Tourist coaches on Kalka-Shimla sector.

Tour packages are developed as per demand. Recently, comprehensive tourist packages have been developed for the tourists intending to visit Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine in Jammu and Kashmir, Shimla in Himachal Pradesh and Goa.

Admissions in KVs on recommendations

*299. SHRI ABDUL GAIYUR QURESHI:

SHRI BRATIN SENGUPTA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that while a Member of Parliament is empowered to nominate two children for admission in Kendriya Vidyalayas located in his constituency/State under Special Dispensation Quota every session, a chairman of the local Vidyalaya Management Committee has been empowered to nominate two students for admission in his Kendriya Vidyalaya in each section of each class;

(b) if so, the reasons and justification, if any, therefore; and

(c) what is the maximum number of admissions in Kendriya Vidyalayas, as a result of this order?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) It is a fact that M.Ps are empowered to nominate two children for admission in Kendriya Vidyalayas located in their constituency/State under special dispensation quota every year. The Chairmen of the local Vidyalaya Management Committees can recommend admission of a maximum of two children per school per year (except class X and XII), if otherwise found eligible as per the provision of admission guidelines.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The maximum number of admissions in Kendriya Vidyalayas as a result of the rule position in this regards can be 2872 as against annual admissions of the order of approximately 60000.